

April 16, 2013

The regular meeting of the Yorkville Water Utility was called to order by President Peter L. Hansen at 8:16 PM in the Yorkville Town Board Room, 925 15th Avenue, Union Grove. Present were President Hansen, Commissioners Gruhn, McMahon, Robers and Johnson, Utilities Manager Hanson, Engineer Madsen and the Clerk-Treasurer.

Minutes of the March 19th meeting were approved as printed on a motion from Commissioner Johnson, second by Commissioner Robers and motion carried.

The financial report was accepted as presented on a motion from Commissioner McMahon and second by Commissioner Robers. Motion carried.


Invoices in the amount of \$6,665.44 were approved on a motion from Commissioner Johnson, second by Commissioner Robers and motion carried.

Sprint Spectrum LP has recently proposed antenna changes on the Yorkville Water Utility tower. At the previous water utility meeting, the commissioners requested that Sprint appear before the Board to answer questions etc. Today they are represented by Barbara Newman, Project Manager for Ramaker & Associates, Inc. The Water Commission has obtained a proposal/contract agreement for antenna inspection from Dixon Engineering, Inc. to provide services of initial site walk through, design and plan review and site work for installation inspections as work progresses and a final post inspection to compare with design criteria for these antenna additions. Utilities Manager Hanson reported the long history with Sprint and major concerns with Sprint adding antennas and then removing them and needing structural analysis to be sure where all mounts are put and as to the integrity of the structure. He also told of these outside contractors being notoriously sloppy and not following specifications as written and thus the hiring of Dixon Engineering to make sure all plans are followed. Ms. Newman reported these types of contracts are not uncommon with the type of work proposed and that Sprint will reimburse for these costs in the amount of \$4,100. Commissioner Robers moved that President Hansen sign the contract with Dixon Engineering to be reimbursed for antenna installation review. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion which carried. Newman reported Sprint is upgrading their system by upgrading antennas and ground equipment as well. Commissioner Robers moved and President Hansen seconded the motion that we approve the Sprint Spectrum request for antenna installation contingent upon our engineer, attorney and Dixon Engineering approving said agreement. Motion was then carried.

President Hansen then reappointed Larry Robers to a five year term on the Yorkville Water Utility to be served from 5-1-2013 to 5-1-2018. Commissioner Robers accepted the appointment.

Utility Manager Hanson reported a quiet month while reading meters and flushing hydrants being the major work done here. Engineer Madsen reported there has been some talk of a new connection to the former Spokes property and the need for a six inch fire protection line.

With no further business to come before the meeting, Commissioner McMahon moved to adjourn, second by Commissioner Johnson and motion carried. President Hansen then adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.

 Clerk-Treasurer